

August 4, 2006

**An Invitation to Attend the Stakeholders Briefing  
on the Home and Community-Based Services  
Nursing Facility/Acute Hospital Waiver Draft Application**

The California Department of Health Services (CDHS), Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Branch, In-Home Operations (IHO) Section, will submit a federal HCBS waiver application for the Nursing Facility/Acute Hospital (NF/AH) Waiver to the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on September 30, 2006.

This NF/AH Waiver application will combine the following three waivers currently administered by IHO:

- Nursing Facility Level A/B (NF A/B) Waiver
- Nursing Facility Subacute Waiver
- In-Home Medical Care Waiver

You are invited to attend a stakeholders briefing on the draft HCBS NF/AH Waiver application to be held in Sacramento. The briefing will be conducted by Sarah Steenhausen, Assistant Secretary for Long-Term Care of the California Health and Human Services Agency, and representatives from CDHS. The briefing will include an overview of the draft HCBS NF/AH Waiver application followed by a public “Question and Answer” session. This briefing will focus only on the specific draft waiver application.

**Location:** Sacramento, CA

**Date:** Wednesday, August 23, 2006

**Place:** California Department of Health Services  
1500 Capitol Avenue, Auditorium  
Sacramento, California 95814

**Time:** 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Toll Free Telephone Number:** A toll free telephone number will be available if you are unable to attend in person.

**RSVP:** Please send your RSVP to [ihowaiver@dhs.ca.gov](mailto:ihowaiver@dhs.ca.gov) or call (916) 552-9371, ***no later than Friday, August 18, 2006***. Let us know if you will be attending in person, or if you will be calling in on the toll free telephone number (so we may reserve a sufficient number of telephone lines).

Information on parking, dining in the area and a map of the location can be accessed on the website: [www.dhs.ca.gov/ihos](http://www.dhs.ca.gov/ihos) or by calling (916) 552-9371.

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